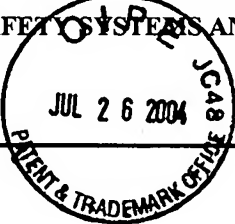

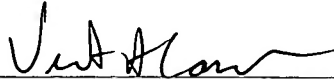
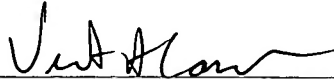
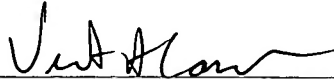


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RESPONSE OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed on April 22, 2004, in connection with the above-identified U.S. patent application. The three-month period for response expires on July 22, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.